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PROFITS ON SHELL MANUFACTURE AIRED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

Profits not Divided on Party Lines. Former Liberal Minister, Hon. George P. Graham, Inadvertently Betrayed by Hon. William Pugsley.

(From our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Jan. 20.—If profits have been made in the manufacture of shells in Canada they have not been divided on party lines. That was abundantly evident during today's speeches in the Commons on the address in reply to the speech from the throne. As far as profiting in shell manufacture is concerned it appears to have made little difference whether the recipient was a Liberal or a Conservative. It appears to have made so little difference indeed that one of those who profited so extravagantly as to furnish almost a horrible example to the country, according to one of his own colleagues, was a former Liberal Cabinet Minister. That such was the fact was stated today by the Hon. Arthur Meighen, Solicitor-General. The former Liberal minister who profited, he said, was Hon. George P. Graham, director of the Canada Foundries and Forging Co. of Brockville and Welland. Mr. Graham's colleague who, under the impression that the director of the company was not Mr. Graham but Sir Henry Pellatt, used it to point the moral and adorn the tale at his two-hour speech on shell contract affairs

on Wednesday, was Hon. William Pugsley. Neither Mr. Pugsley nor Mr. Graham was in the House to-day when Mr. Meighen, in the course of an able speech in defence, not of the Shell Committee, but of the Government's policy of entrusting the control of Canadian shell manufacture to it, crowned an eloquent period with the disclosure referred to. This was possibly fortunate for the member for St. John, for this was not the only discrepancy in his speech illustrated by the Solicitor-General. He showed that, whether by accident or not, Mr. Pugsley had in the course of his speech represented Mr. D. A. Thomas, Canadian representative of Lloyd George, as stating what he had not stated. "The member for St. John," he said, "delivered a speech which was not only bitterly partisan but had less foundation in fact than any other which I have ever heard delivered in this House. The Government does not expect immunity from criticism, it asks only freedom from partisan appeals, which are bad enough in ordinary times, but are now little short of treachery." Any charge made against any member of the Gov-

ernment in connection with shell matters said Mr. Meighen, would receive the fullest investigation. He had no defence to make of the Committee, but it was a body created at the request of the Imperial authorities and answerable to them. Mr. Meighen was followed by Mr. G. W. Kyte of Richmond, who endeavoured to fix the responsibility for the Shell Committee on the Government because as first constituted the Minister of Militia had a representative on the Committee, the executive head of which also reported to him. The member for Richmond also charged that there had been politics both in the awarding of shell contracts and the appointment of shell inspectors. Hon. Frank Oliver, the other speaker of the day, concluded the address he began yesterday. He dealt generally with reforms which he thought should be adopted if Canada were to secure the men to complete the army of 500,000. These were larger pensions for disabled soldiers, a system of caring for those temporarily incapacitated and a purely Government provided scheme of allowances for dependants of men at the front.

CANADA OFFERS FOURTH DIVISION FOR THE FRONT

War Office Accepts Offer and Division will Shortly be in the Fighting Line.

(From our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Jan. 20.—Through the Prime Minister, Sir Robert Borden, Canada to-day offered a completely equipped fourth Canadian division for the front. The war office has accepted the offer, and the division will shortly take its place in the fighting line in France along with the three Canadian divisions now there. The third Canadian division, which was offered last November and is now completely organized and in the firing line under Major-General Mercer, is thus speedily followed with a fourth division, which will bring the total of the Canadian troops at the front up to a little over eighty thousand. It is certain that as soon as the need arises, Canada will add at least another two divisions and have an army of over 100,000 men ready to join in the Allies' offensive movement on the western front in the spring campaign.

General Villa Has Been Captured

(Special to the Guardian.) EL PASO, Jan. 20.—The Mexican consul, Andres Garcia, has received advice of the capture of General Villa, who was captured by Maximilian Marquez, who recently also captured General Jose Rodriguez, one of Villa's generals.

SONG WRITER IS DEAD

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—J. Fred Helf, composer of popular songs, died yesterday at Liberty, N.Y., in his forty-fifth year. Five months ago he became ill and retired from his firm, the J. Fred Helf Music Publishing company, which was later dissolved. He is said to have composed more than a hundred songs, some of the best known of which were "Gee, But It's Great to Meet a Friend from Your Home Town," "Some One Thinks of Some One," "When You Know You're Not Forgotten by the Girl You Can't Forget" and "How Would You Like to be the Ice Man," which was written for Lew Dockstader. Mr. Helf was born in Maysville, Ky., and came to this city twenty-four years ago. He lived at 130 West 118th Street, and is survived by his wife and one daughter.

Canada is Asked for Motor Patrol Crew

OTTAWA, Jan. 19.—The Department of Naval Service has issued a call on behalf of the British Admiralty for men from Canada for service in the auxiliary patrol (motor boat) service. Those who will be accepted must have a thorough knowledge of high power internal combustion engines and are accustomed to running motor boats. The total pay is \$2.55 per day for sub-lieutenants, \$2.08 for chief motor boatmen, and \$1.34 for motor boatmen with separation allowance added in the case of the latter. Applications are being received by Admiral Kingsmill, director of naval services for Canada.

CANADIAN AVIATOR BURNED TO DEATH

LONDON, Jan. 19.—Flight Lieutenant Ross, a Canadian, was burnt to death yesterday morning. He had started on a flight when his machine burst into flames and came down wrecked. It is supposed that the tank exploded.

MONTENEGRO DID NOT CAPITULATE BUT WILL FIGHT TO THE LAST MAN

Story of Capitulation was a German Invention. No Terms of Peace Offered and None Accepted. The King will Fight it Out.

(Special to the Guardian.) LONDON, Jan. 20.—Sir Roper Parlington, Consul-General of Montenegro, to-day received confirmation of the report that King Nicholas of Montenegro and his sons would remain at the head of their troops, determined to fight to the last.

(Special to the Guardian.) LONDON, Jan. 20.—An official French statement received here to-day says the Montenegrin army never capitulated, and in fact, that no formal negotiations for peace were entered into. King Nicholas is said to be at

Podgoritz with his troops. The Montenegrin government has been installed at Scutari. ROME, January 18.—Reports that the Montenegrins were heroically fighting the Austrians were false. On the contrary, they were secretly aiding them. They even informed the Austrians of the arrival of ships conveying provisions and munitions from Italy, thus enabling the Austrian submarines to sink the vessels. King Nicholas has been secretly league with the Austrians since October, and practically solicited invasion

of his country which he betrayed with the object of concluding a separate peace. This explains and fully justifies the attitude of the allies, who knew that to aid Montenegro would be worse than useless. Had they supplied guns and ammunition to the Montenegrins they would simply have fallen into the Austrians hands. King Nicholas alone is responsible for betraying his country. The majority of the Montenegrins, including his sons, are opposed to separate peace which is bound to lead sooner or later to the dethronement of the king.

ITALIANS REPULSE ALL ENEMY ATTACKS

(Special to the Guardian.) ROME, Jan. 19.—Italian statement: In Chiese Valley Monday afternoon enemy's artillery caused a fire at Comago, which was quickly extinguished. As a reprisal one of our batteries bombarded Strada, which was occupied by the enemy. In Sugana Valley, replying to the fire of the enemy on Borge, we bombarded Caldonaso railway station. In Tolmino section on the night of the 18th an enemy detachment attempted an attack on one of our trenches in the heights of Santa Maria. The attack was repulsed. The enemy left thirty dead on the field. On the same night between Hill 188 and Osavia the enemy tried to approach our positions, but our troops, undecieved by a ruse of false cries, succeeded in repulsing the attempt. The situation on the Carso front is unchanged.

HOW BLOCKADE HAS BEEN NULLIFIED

LONDON, Jan. 18.—The Post's Washington correspondent in a long despatch discusses the blockade problem, publishing parallel columns showing the 1913 and 1915 exports from the United States to Germany and adjacent neutrals, of wheat, corn, flour, bacon, cotton and autos, as evidence that the blockade of Germany has been nullified and the power of the British navy destroyed by the failure of the Foreign Office to grasp the situation. The Post, commenting on the despatch, says: "The situation shown in the figures from Washington, is that during the whole course of the war Germany has been permitted to import, through neutrals, essential supplies to an amount greater than in times of peace. Has the foreign office been aware of these things? If not, it is dangerously incompetent." The following is a resume of the figures contained in the Washington despatch: Wheat from the United States to Germany in 1913, 12,000,000 bushels; in 1915, 15,000,000 bushels. Wheat to neutrals in 1913, 19,000,000 bushels; in 1915, 50,000,000 bushels. Flour exports to Germany in 1913, 140,000 barrels; in 1915, none. To neutrals in 1913, 1,500,000 barrels; in 1915, 5,100,000 barrels. Exports of bacon to Germany in 1913, 1,100,000 pounds; in 1915, 273,000 pounds. To neutrals in 1913, 30,000,000 pounds; in 1915, 91,500,000 pounds. Exports of boots to Germany in 1913, 471,000 pairs; in 1915, none. To neutrals in 1913, 462,000 pairs. Cotton exports to Germany in 1913, 1,700,000 bales; in 1915, 194,000 bales. To neutrals in 1913, 53,000 bales; in 1915, 1,100,000 bales.

A SERIOUS FIRE IN BRANDON, MAN.

Four Lives Lost and Finest Business Block in City Destroyed with Loss of \$300,000.

BRANDON, Man., Jan. 17.—Two bodies have been recovered and two others lie buried in the ice covered ruins of the Syndicate Block, that was one of Brandon's business blocks this morning, now a steaming ruin. The bodies recovered are those of Miss McCort and Clarence Walker. When the fire broke out Walker was on a street car. He rushed into the burning building to the aid of some of the employees, and his body was found not far from that of Miss McCort in what had originally been the office. The fire broke out from an unknown cause in Doig, Rankin and Robertson's departmental store, and spread so rapidly that many of the fifty employees had to jump from the third story windows. In fifteen minutes it was all ablaze. Firemen made a gallant struggle but their efforts and the brick wall were unavailing to keep the blaze from spreading to N. W. Ball's men's furnishings, and MacPherson and Bedford's furniture and other establishments.

ALLIES PURCHASE ROUMANIA'S GRAIN

80,000 Cars Rumanian Grain Purchased for \$50,000,000 as one of the Steps in The Starvation of Germany.

BUCHAREST, Jan. 20.—An English syndicate has closed a deal for the purchase of eighty thousand cars of Rumanian grain, paying \$50,000,000 in gold. The entire Rumanian grain surplus will be purchased by the Allies, it is understood here, in conformity with the plan of "starving out" Germany.

Germans Report Further Successes

(Special to the Guardian.) BERLIN, Jan. 20.—A German official report admits increasingly violent fighting on the Bessarabian frontier, but it declared that all attacks by superior Russian forces have been repulsed with heavy losses to them. An official statement from Vienna says: "A new battle has begun in Bessarabia with increased violence. The enemy in several engagements entered our trenches, but were everywhere repulsed with heavy losses. At one point the 6th and 13th Handed regiments made vigorous and successful counterattacks. The ground before our trenches was covered with the bodies of dead Russians. On the fighting ground of one battalion were counted as many as 800 dead. Our front was under the fire of Russian artillery. There were also artillery duels in Eastern Galicia.

Only Competent Officers to Command

OTTAWA, January 17.—While hundreds of offers are being received from all parts of the Dominion for the raising of regiments, General Hughes states that there is a dearth at present of competent and efficient officers to command such regiments, and that until such time as such officers can be properly trained the present constituted battalions will be permitted to recruit beyond their normal strength up to a second or even a third battalion. After wards these regiments can be properly organized, under competent heads, trained efficiently at the new schools which are to be instituted throughout the Dominion. "We want to know who is who before we make appointments or permit the raising of new regiments under new auspices," said General Hughes this evening.

RESTORATION OF LIFE CLAIMED BY A DOCTOR

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Restoring the dead to life by the transfusion of blood is a possibility, according to Dr. W. H. Burmeister, Coroner's physician. Experimenting in his laboratory, Dr. Burmeister says he has asphyxiated a dozen rabbits and forty dogs, waited until heart action ceased, and then transfused blood which he has kept in a tube for as long as four weeks, with the result that a substantial number of the animals have come to life. Working first on rabbits, Dr. Burmeister asphyxiated the animals in a small box. When heart action ceased he made an injection in each one in a vein over one of the ears. "The reaction in most cases was almost instantaneous," he reported. Six of the twelve rabbits treated in this way were restored to normal life. Dr. Burmeister took from sixty to ninety minutes to asphyxiate the dogs. The longer the dog had been dead the more difficult he found it to resuscitate the animal by artificial respiration and stimulants. Thirteen of the fifteen dogs transfused regained consciousness. One developed blood-poisoning, and was killed. The others fully recovered.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

(Special to the Guardian.) TORONTO, January 21, Maritime: Fresh southerly winds, cloudy and mild, local sleet or rain. THE WEATHER Yesterday was clear and cool with snow at night. The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 24 degrees above zero. At nine o'clock yesterday morning it registered 4 degrees above zero; at nine last night 24 degrees above. The coldest the previous night was zero. The tide will be high this afternoon at 12:20 and tomorrow at 12:53; it will be high tonight at 11:26 and tomorrow at 12. The sun sets this afternoon at 4:50 and tomorrow at 4:51; it rises tomorrow morning at 7:32 and Sunday at 7:31. There was a full moon on Thursday, Jan. 20th at 4:29 a. m. The last quarter of the moon will be on Thursday, Jan. 27th at 8:35 p. m. The length of today will be nine hours and seventeen minutes.

PICTOU CURLERS HAD GOOD TIME IN CHARLOTTETOWN

Scored Heavily Over Home Team but the Sting of Defeat was Forgotten in Mutual Good Fellowship A Visit Thoroughly Enjoyed by Visitors and Visited.

The Charlottetown Curling Club at the Kozye Korner, where an excellent supper was provided and a most enjoyable and characteristically curling two hours were spent in songs, speeches, stories and general good fellowship. President Paton presided and, after covers were removed, announced the toast, The King, which was duly honoured. The President in a humorous address expressed his pleasure and that of his fellow members on the visit of the Pictou curlers, explaining that it was no disgrace to be second best to such skilled players, whom he complimented most highly on their skill "with the stones and the broom." He was followed by Mr. R. Robertson in lieu of a speech told a humorous theological story which brought down the house. "Tipperary," sung in lusty tones, followed. Speeches, interspersed with breezy anecdotes, were given by Messrs Wm. H. Harris, Deputy Sheriff of Pictou County; J. W. Hogg; J. A. Fullerton, Ren. Heighston, seniorskip; John Munroe, Pictou, and by Messrs John D. Lawson D. Edgar Shaw, C. Leonard Grant, and representatives of the Charlottetown dailies. Soles, all of which called forth encomres, were given by Dr. Robins and Mr. E. Beer, Charlottetown, Mr. Fullerton, Pictou, Mr. Heighston, Pictou, and two humorous readings by Mr. D. Edgar Shaw. The visitors expressed themselves as delighted with the hospitality extended to them by their Charlottetown brethren and gave a cordial and pressing invitation for a return match at Pictou. The visitors leave on return this morning, taking with them most pleasant memories of their first curling visit to Charlottetown.

Following are the results of the matches: AFTERNOON. Pictou. Charlottetown. C. C. Dwyer 32 G. H. Black 3 G. W. Atkins 14 C. H. Hughes 6 G. E. McLean 14 A. W. Hyndman 3 R. Heighston 3 Percy Pope 3 Horton McKay 3 H. M. VanBuskirk 3 John Munroe 3 L. B. McMillan 3 Neil Gillis 3 Dr. C. H. Beer 3 E. A. Fullerton 6 Otto Crabbe 14 (skip) 6 (skip) 14 Jos. Floyd 16 G. D. Wright 16 W. H. Harris 16 D. B. Stewart 16 Capt. R. Powell 16 F. H. Beer 16 J. W. Hogg 16 (skip) 16 EVENING. Pictou. Charlottetown. Jas. Floyd 14 R. C. Goff 9 W. H. Harris 14 W. A. Stewart 9 Capt. R. Powell 14 Jas. Paton 9 (skip) 14 (skip) 9 S. Soffa 11 J. Munroe 11 E. E. Morrison 11 J. A. Fullerton 11 C. L. Grant 11 M. Gillis 11 R. Robertson 11 (skip) 9 (skip) 11 C. C. Dwyer 14 G. Hughes 14 G. W. Atkins 14 E. W. Sterns 14 R. Heighston 14 J. A. Lawson 14 G. E. McLean 20 S. Gray 4 (skip) 20 (skip) 4

BOY DECIDES TO AVENGE FATHER'S DEATH.

ST CATHARINES, Ont., Jan. 20.—George Robinson, 13 year old son of Lieut. Richmond Robinson, ex-Alderman of this city, who was killed in action with an Imperial regiment in France a few months ago, has decided to avenge the death of his father. Although too young to shoulder a rifle, he has succeeded in gaining entrance to a naval school in England, and will leave on Saturday. He is the eldest son of a family of five children.

(Special to the Guardian.) LONDON, Jan. 19.—In the House of Commons this afternoon Harold J. Tennant, Under Secretary for War, announced that German casualties as published in the Berlin list to date total 2,535,768, of whom 536,985 were killed.

The Kaiser Is Around Again Recruiting Meetings Last Night

(Special to the Guardian.) A splendid recruiting meeting was held at North River last night when another addition was made to the King's Honour roll. Canon Simpson occupied the chair. Excellent addresses were given by Capt. Cook, Rev. Avery Gates, Canon Simpson, R. L. Cotton and Major McNutt. A splendid musical programme was given with Miss Bartlett acting as accompanist. Well rendered solos given by Fred Hines, and Corporal Marshall and also good dancing by the latter. Violin music being supplied by Pte McDonald. A splendid call was then made for recruits to which one replied, Earl Warren, North River. After the meeting the speakers and musicians were entertained to a sumptuous repast at the home of Mrs. John McKinley. The party returned to the city about 12:30.

SOPIA, Jan. 20.—Emperor William who on Tuesday was at Nish, where he met King Ferdinand of Bulgaria has returned to Germany.

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cash must accompany orders. Minimum charges, twenty-five cents. **Fresh Halibut, Haddock, Codfish and Smelts just received at Charlottetown Fish Supply Co. 6064. **The Annual Ball of the Labor Union will be held in their Hall, Water Street, on the night of Jan. 26th, inst. Admission 50 cents. 60324-19M6. **The number of the Belfast Red Cross quilt is 291. Will the person having the ticket of that number, please hand it in to the Society at once. By Order of Committee. 60681-21-Mell. **The present Board of Sewer and Water Commissioners will offer for reelection at the forth coming Civic Election on the 9th of February. 60471-21-M31pd. **There will be a play "Down in Maine," in four acts given in Rustico Hall on Wednesday, Jan. 26th at 7:30 p.m. If weather proves unfavorable play will be held the following Monday the 31st. Admission 35c., 25c. and children 15c. 60671-21-M31pd. **THE "VALLEY FARM"—The play "Valley Farm" will be given by the people of Hunter River at their hall on Friday evening Jan. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Admission: Adults 25c., Children 15c. Proceeds in aid of Red Cross Society. A good evening's entertainment is expected and all should help a good cause by attending. Should the above date be unfavorable play will be put on the following Monday. 6024-1-19-M31. Minard's Liniment Cures Rheumatism

CONDENSED ADS. TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cash must accompany orders. Minimum charges, twenty-five cents. PRIME SAUSAGES ALWAYS ON hand at Holman's, Charlottetown. 3739-11-6M4t. WANTED MAID FOR GENERAL housework. Apply 104 Water St. 6069-1-21M31pd. LOST ON SUNDAY EVENING A Gold Bracelet, kindly leave at this office. 6010-1-18M31. FOR SALE—NO. 8 HOME JEWEL cooking stove. Cheap. Apply at 230 Easton St. 6058-1-11MEt. WANTED A MILLINER, MUST BE first class. Apply by letter to P. O. Box 357. 6065-1-21-M31. FOR SALE TWENTY GOOD LAYING hens, just commencing to lay. Apply at 78 Cumberland St. 6066-1-21-M31pd. WANTED GOOD CARPENTER accustomed to job work. Steady work and good wages to the right man. Apply Charles E. Carson, 198 Queen St. 6070-1-21M31pd. TO LET—A SMALL BEDROOM suitable for nurse or gentleman, in private family with all modern improvements including phone. Apply 64 Hillside Street. 6341-1-7M1t. Minard's Liniment cures garget in cows